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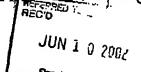


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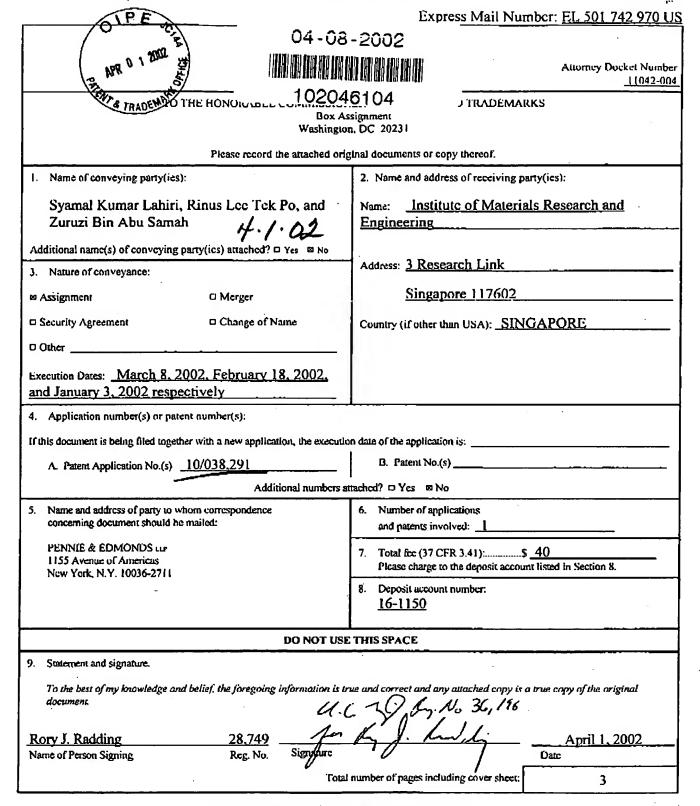
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WHEREAS, WE, Syzmal Kumer Lahiri, Rimis Lee Tek Pe, and Zuruzi Bin Abu Samah, ASSIGNORS, citizens of India, Malaysia, and Singapore, respectively, whose mailing addresses are 1775 Milmont Drive, Apt P-30, Milipitas, California 95035, Block 39 Circuit Road #10-595, Singapore 370039, and Materials Department, University of California Sama Barbara, Santa Barbara, California 93106-5050, respectively, are the inventors of the invention in FORMING AN ELECTRICAL CONTACT ON AN ELECTRONIC COMPONENT for which we have executed an application for a Patent of the United States which is identified by Permie & Edmonds are docket No. 11042-004, filed January 2, 2002, and we hereby authorize and request Rory J. Radding, of Pennie & Edmonds are, 1135 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036-2711, to insert here in parentheses (application No. 40/038, 141), the application number of said application when known,

and WHERPAS, Institute of Materials Research and Engineering, ASSIGNEE, with principal offices at 3 Research Link, Singapore 117602, is desirous of obtaining our earlier right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention and the said application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the rum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby asknowledged, we, the said ASSIGNORS, have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, in successors, legal representatives and assigns, our entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention, and the said United States application and all divisions, renswals and continuations thereof, and all Parents of the United States which may be granted thereon and all releases and extensions thereof, and all applications for industrial property protection, including, without limitation, all applications for patents, utility models, and designs which may hereafter be filed for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States, together with the right to file such applications and the right to olaim for the same the priority rights derived from said United States application under the Patent Laws of the United States, the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, or any other international agreement or the domestic laws of the country in which any such application is filed, as may be applicable; and all forms of industrial property protection, including, without limitation, patents, utility models, inventors' certificates and designs which may be granted for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof.

AND WE HERBY authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trudemarks of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents or other evidence or forms of industrial property protection on applications as aforested, to issue the same to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and resigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant and agree that we have full right to convey the entire interest berein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND WE HEREBY further covenant and agree that we will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, relative and foreign applications, make all rightful ouths, and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and sasigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries.

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